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Jane Doe, City Manager
City of Somewhere
PO Box XXXX
Somewhere AK XXXXX

RE: FY 18 PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES PROGRAM FOR CITIES IN THE UNORGANIZED BOROUGH

Dear Municipal Official:

On May 5, 2017, the President signed the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (H.R. 244) which appropriated \$465 million in discretionary funding for Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT). The U.S. Department of Interior is currently preparing the necessary calculations to issue payments for the FY 2017 PILT program.

The State of Alaska expects to receive the funds for the PILT program in June 2017. This will allow the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to disburse payments to PILT recipients in July 2017. At this time, it is unknown how much the State of Alaska will receive for the cities in the unorganized borough.

If your city is waiting for an estimated payment in order to prepare an annual budget, please know that DCRA has not received any payment information from the US Department of the Interior yet. As in prior years, DCRA suggests that the city budget \$0 if possible under this program. If a balanced budget is unattainable with a \$0 line item for PILT, then it is suggested that the city estimate a minimum of a 25% reduction of the FY17 actual PILT payment received.

In order to receive payment under the PILT program, a city must submit to the Department the attached application, which includes a cover page and resolution requesting payment. A number of requirements have been waived for the State Fiscal Year 2018, so please read the application and resolution thoroughly to understand what is required to receive a payment.

The completed application must be received by **June 30, 2017**. Enclosed is a sample resolution for the FY 18 Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Program for cities in the unorganized borough. The cover page and adopted resolution should be submitted to:

Division of Community and Regional Affairs
Attention: Robin Park
Payment in Lieu of Taxes Program
P.O. Box 110809
Juneau, AK 99811

Or submitted via email to robin.park@alaska.gov

Should you have any questions regarding the FY 17 PILT program, please feel free to contact me. I can be reached via email at robin.park@alaska.gov, or you may call me at 907-465-4731. You may also contact Debi Kruse at debi.kruse@alaska.gov or call her at 907-465-4451.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robin Park", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robin Park
Grants Administrator II

Enclosures: FY 18 PILT Cover Page
Sample FY 18 PILT Resolution